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---- SECRETARY ARTHUR T. DOWNEY

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- 1. PER PARA 2 STATE 233735 WE WISH TO SUMMARIZE DOWNEY TRAVEL PLANS AND PROPOSED VISITS.
- 2. DOWNEY WILL ARRIVE BUCHAREST ON THURSDAY, OCT. 14 AT 13:40 VIA TAROM 244 FROM BUDAPEST. HE WILL DEPART FOR VIENNA ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16 AT 17:05.
- 3. PER OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH AMBASSADOR BARNES WE WOULD SUGGEST FOLLOWING LIST OF VISITS, MOST OF WHICH ARE WITH SENIOR GOR OFFICIALS DOWNEY HAS PREVIOUSLY MET.
- (A) PATAN AND N. STEFAN OF MFT. PREPARATIONS FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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VISIT WOULD BE DISCUSSED. SUCH A MEETING MIGHT ALSO INCLUDE MFT OFFICIALS FOTA AND STANCA IF LONG-TERM COOPERATION AGREEMENT IS STILL IN DISPUTE.

- (B) VOLOSENIUC OF BANK OF FOREIGN TRADE. THIS WOULD BE IN KEEPING WITH OUR EFFORTS HERE TO MAINTAIN GOOD COMMUNICATIONS WITH MILTON ROSENTHAL OF U.S. SECTION OF ECONOMIC COUNCIL.
- (C) AVRAM AND/OR NECULA OF MINISTRY MACHINE BUILDING. THIS WOULD OFFER DOWNEY AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS TOPICS OF ELECTRONICS AND MACHINE BUILDING, AND PARTICULARLY U.S. EXPORT ADMINISTRATION POLICY REGARDING BOTH. PERHAPS THIS MEETING COULD ALSO INCLUDE IOAN BATRINA OF THE INDUSTRIAL CENTRAL OF THE ELECTRONIC AND DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT INDUSTRY.
- (D) CIOBANU AND/OR ENEA OF MINISTRY LIGHT INDUSTRY. IN VIEW OF POTENTIAL TRADE DISRUPTION ISSUES REGARDING TEXTILES, SHEETGLASS AND SHOES THIS WOULD BE USEFUL MEETING FOR DOWNEY.
- (E) IF APPROPRIATE, DOWNEY WOULD LIKE TO PAY A BRIEF CALL ON FORMER AMBASSADOR BOGDAN.
- (F) ROMANIA CONTROL DATA PLANT. THIS WOULD BE ESPECIALLY USEFUL VISIT AS DOC CONTINUES TO WORK ON EXPORT LICENSE ISSUE INVOLVING DISC DRIVES FOR THE CDC JOINT VENTURE.
- 4. SATURDAY MORNING WILL BE DEVOTED TO DOWNEY PARTICIPATION AT OPENING OF BUCHAREST INTERNATIONAL FAIR. ARE THERE PARTICULAR GOR OFFICIALS WHOM DOWNEY SHOULD SEE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FAIR?
- 5. PER OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH AMBASSADOR BARNES, WE FEEL THAT DOWNEY'S PRESENCE AND MEETINGSWITH ABOVE GOR OFFICIALS WILL BE ADEQUATE SUBSTITUTE FOR EXPERT'S MEETING WHICH GOR HAS PROPOSED. WHILE IT WILL BE TOO EARLY TO BEGIN PERPARING AGREED MINUTE AND OTHER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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COMMISSION DOCUMENTS, DOWNEY WILL BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS DRAFT AGENDA WITH GOR.

6. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER ADVICE, SUGGESTIONS, ETC. AND WE AWAIT EMBASSY COMMENTS ON THE ABOVE. IN THE MEANTIME WE HAVE CONTACTED GOR EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON REGARDING DOWNEY VISIT AND PROPOSED MEETINGS. KISSINGER

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